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In re application of: John Martin Flenley

Application No.: 09/209,124
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Group No.: 2761
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For: FILTER MODULE FOR A TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM


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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

1. I hereby petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment in this case, on the basis that applicant timely responded to the August 29, 2000 Notice of Allowability.
2. I hereby state:

Applicant paid the issue fee, submitted formal drawings and provided a substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney on November 27, 2000 before the three month statutory period expired.
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4. In consideration of these submissions, it is respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.
5. Applicant believes no fee is required for this petition.

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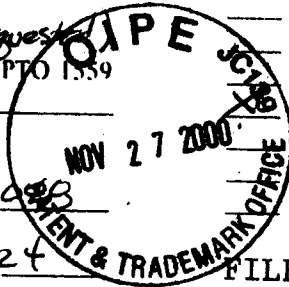
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TITLE OF INVENTION FILTER MODULE FOR A TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM

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Filed: Dec. 10, 1998

For: Filter Module for A Transaction Processing System

Art Unit: 2761

Examiner: Hayes, J.

Date of Mailing of "Notice of Allowance and Base Issue Fee Due": August 29, 2000

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Attached please find formal drawings for the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,



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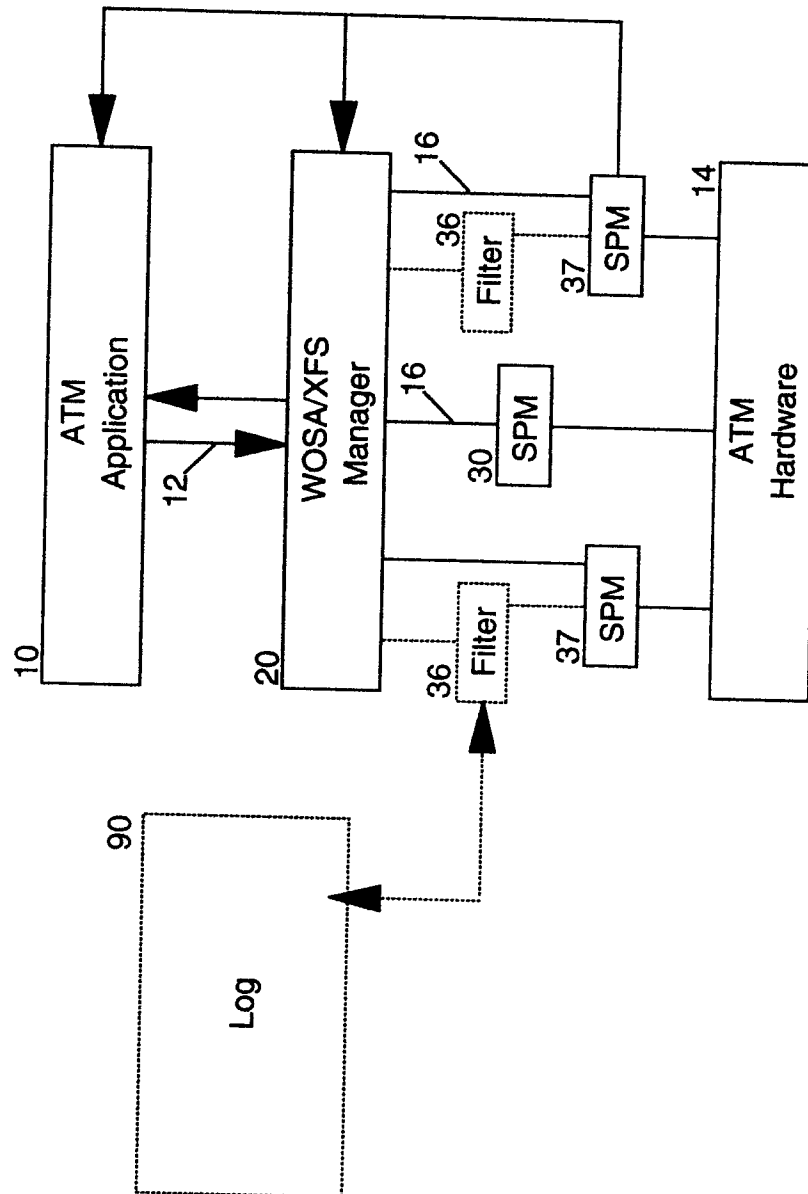


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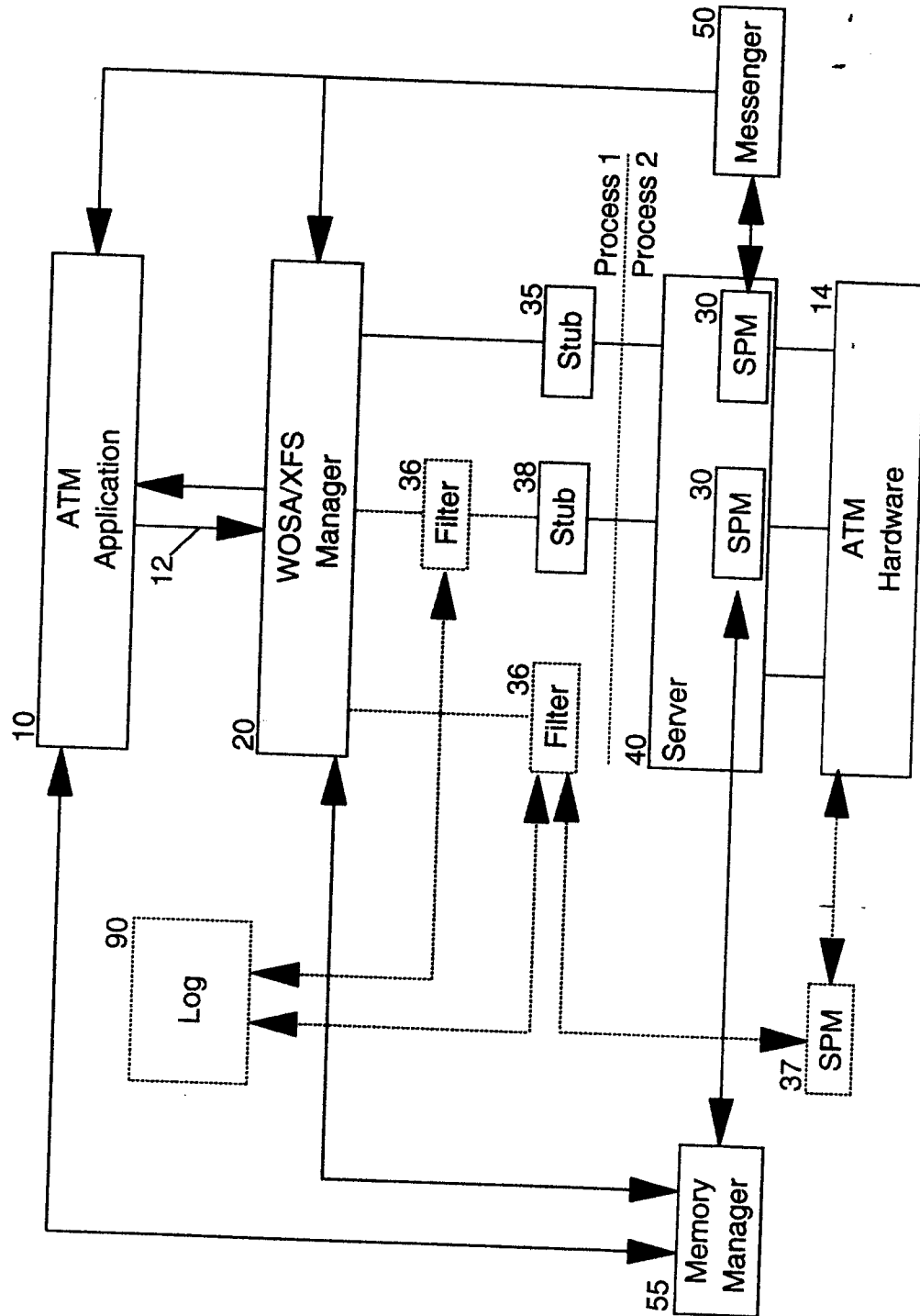


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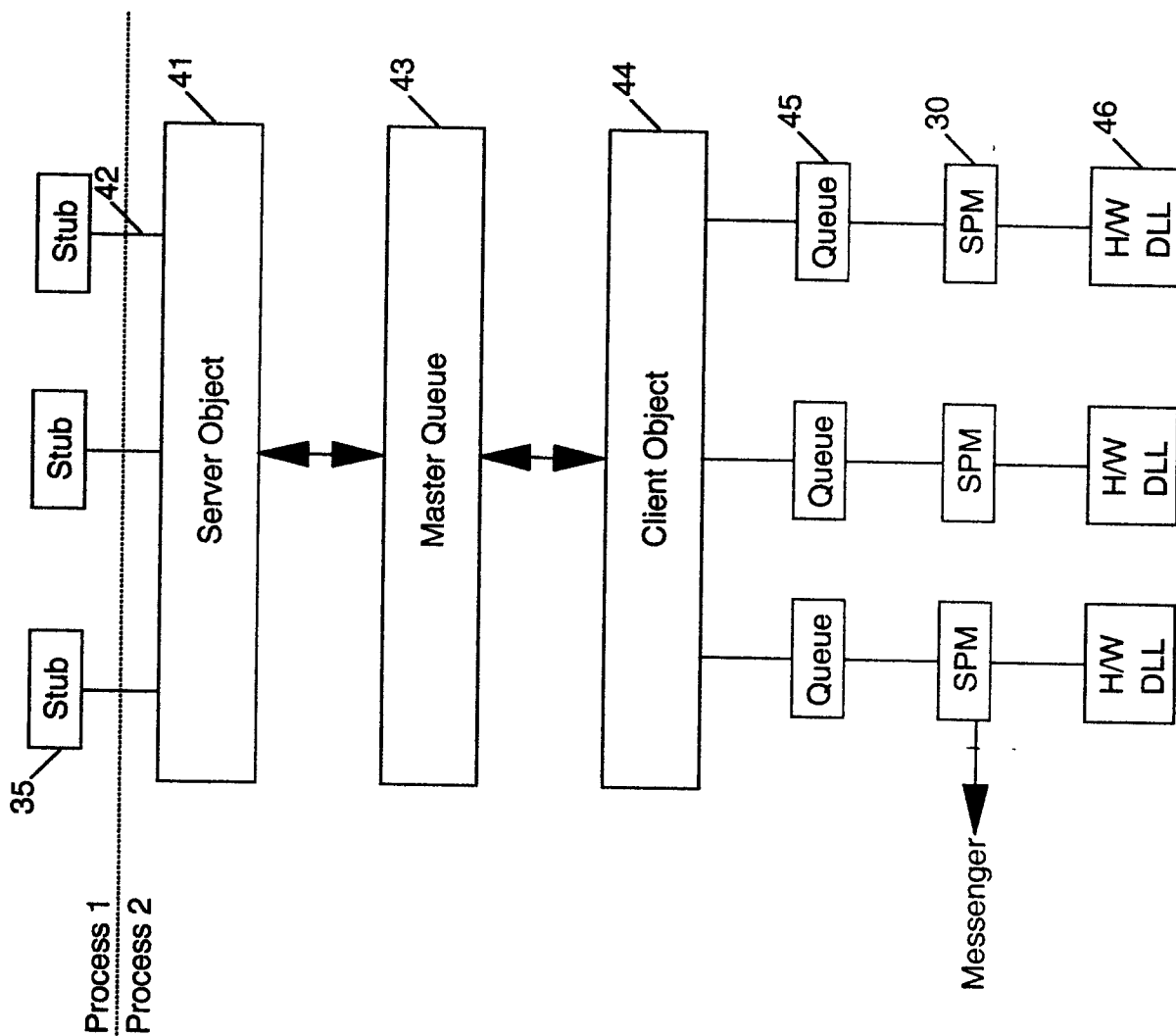


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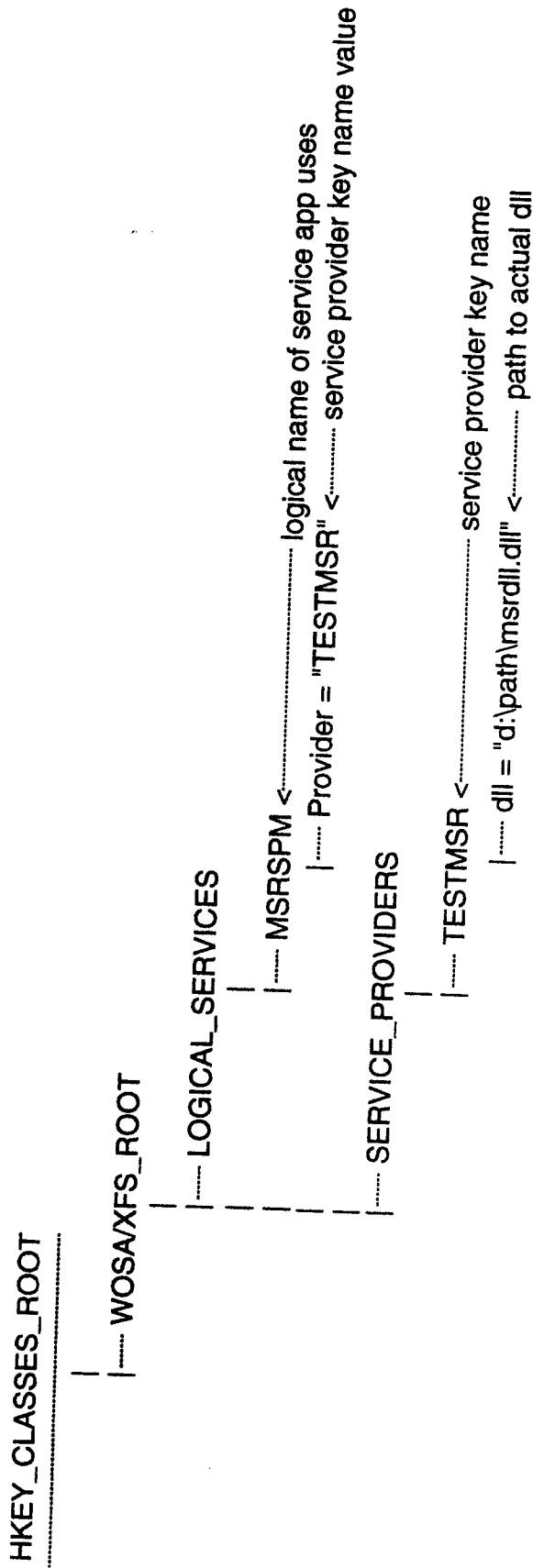


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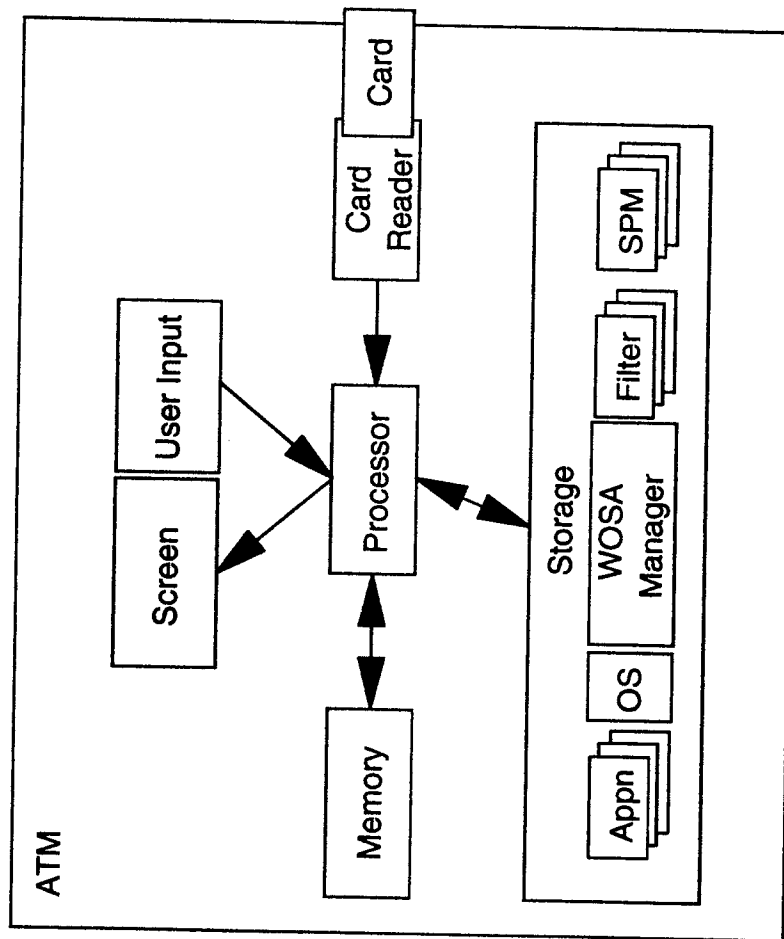


FIG. 5

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Flenley, J. et al : IBM Corp. - 972/B503-3
Serial No. 09/209,124 : PO Box 12195
Filed: Dec. 10, 1998 : Res. Tri. Park,
For: A Filter Module for a : North Carolina 27709
Transaction Processing System :

Letter

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's request in the Detailed Action included in the Notice of Allowance, dated August 29, 2000, regarding an incorrect Declaration for Patent Application 09/209,124 filed Dec 10, 1998. As requested we are sending the newly signed and corrected Declaration.

There should be no additional charge for this action.

Respectfully submitted,

By Gregory M. Doudnikoff
Gregory M. Doudnikoff
Reg. No. 32,847

GMD/ld
Enclosure

IBM Docket Number:UK9-98-048

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

A Filter Module for a Transaction Processing System

the specification of which is identified by the attorney (IBM) Docket Number appearing above.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above- identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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9809827	United Kingdom	9 May 1998	Yes

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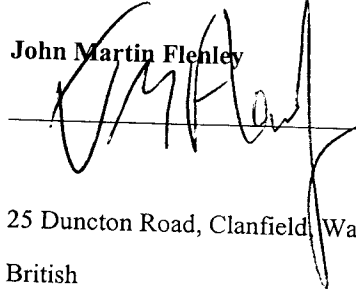
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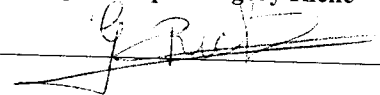
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